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To: Chief Financial Officers and Case Mix Liaisons

From: Claudine Williams, Associate Director, Data Administration and Policy 

Re: APR-DRG and PPC versions for ICD-10 and Submission of Case Mix Data for Testing

The purpose of this memo is to:

- Inform hospitals of the APR-DRG and PPC versions that will be used for ICD-10 data after October 1 2015,
- Alert hospitals regarding a meeting with 3M to discuss the ICD-10 transition, and
- Encourage hospitals to submit ICD-10 test data to St. Paul

APR-DRG Version for Fiscal Year 2016

In consultation with MHA, HSCRC will move to the new ICD-10 APR-DRG grouper version 33 when it becomes available in October 2015. Version 33 will be applied to all discharges on or after October 1, 2015. For ICD-9 data submitted with discharges prior to October 1, ICD-9 APR-DRG version 32 will be applied (see Table 1 below).

HSCRC decided to move to the new grouper version based on the documentation from 3M (attached to this memo), indicating that the currently released ICD-10 version 32 is an un-official version and will not be updated after October 2016. The new ICD-10 version 33 will contain the latest code sets approved by CMS in June 2015 and will replicate the ICD-9 version 32.

CY 2014 Maryland inpatient weights (inpatient cases including outpatient observation cases with 24 hours or more length of stay) were calculated based on case mix data grouped under APR-DRG version 32. These weights were shared with hospitals in a memo dated May 14, 2015. These weights will be applied to FY 2016 ICD-9 data grouped under version 32 and ICD-10 data grouped with APR-DRG version 33.

PPC Grouper for Rate Year 2016

HSCRC will also move to the Potentially Preventable Complications (PPC) Grouper, Version 33, in October 2015. It has been recommended by 3M to move to ICD-10 version 33 since version 32 will not be maintained and version 33 was designed to replicate the ICD-9 version 32 as closely as possible (see Table 2 below). If you have any questions regarding the PPC grouper, please email Dianne Feeney and Alyson Schuster at hsrc.quality@maryland.gov.

Table 1: 3M APR-DRG Groupers for ICD-10 Transition

Report Year	Base Year	Performance Year	APR-DRG/PPC Grouper Version	Grouper Logic
FY 2016	CY 2014	CY 2014	Version 32 (July - Sept 2015)	ICD-9 Logic
			Version 33 (Oct 2015 - June 2016)	Replication of ICD-9 Logic v32
FY 2017	CY 2014	CY 2015	Version 32 (Jan - Sept 2015)	ICD-9 Logic
			Version 33 (Oct - Dec 2015)	Replication of ICD-9 Logic v32
FY 2018	CY 2015	CY 2016	Version 32 (Jan - Sept 2015)	ICD-9 Logic
			Version 33 (Oct 2015- Dec 2016)	Replication of ICD-9 Logic v32
FY 2019	CY 2016	CY 2017	Possibly Version 34 or Most Recent	ICD-10 Logic
FY 2020	CY 2017	CY 2018	Possibly Version 34 or Most Recent	ICD-10 Logic

Methodology-Specific Base Year: CY: Market Shift, Demographic Adjustment and Readmissions

Table 2: 3M PPC Groupers for ICD-10 Transition

Rate Year	Base Year	Performance Year	APR-DRG/PPC Grouper Version	Grouper Logic
FY 2017	FY 2014	CY 2015	Version 32 (July 2013 - Sept 2015)	ICD-9 Logic
			Version 33 (Oct 2015-June 2016)	Replication of ICD-9 Logic v32
FY 2018	FY 2015	CY 2016	Version 32 (July 2014 - Sept 2015)	ICD-9 Logic
			Version 33 (Oct 2015 – Dec 2016)	Replication of ICD-9 Logic v32
FY 2019	FY 2016	CY 2017	Version 32 (July-Sept 2015)	ICD-9 Logic
			Version 33 (Oct 2015-June 2016) (Jan 2017- Dec 2017)	Replication of ICD-9 Logic v32
FY 2020	FY 2017	CY 2018	Possibly Version 34 or Most Recent	ICD-10 Logic

Methodology-Specific Base Year: FY: MHACs

Meeting with 3M Regarding ICD-10 Transition

Hospitals should attend a webinar that MHA and 3M are hosting to discuss the transition plan for the APR-DRG and PPC groupers. The meeting will be held on September 11, 2015 from 1:00-3:30 pm at MHA's office. To register for the meeting, please click on the link below:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5901158439750274561>.

Submitting ICD-10 Test Data to St. Paul

In preparation for the ICD-10 transition, HSCRC encourages hospitals to submit ICD-10 data to The St. Paul Group for the purpose of grouping the data using the ICD-10 APR-DRG grouper version 32. However, due to the licensing agreement with 3M, **ICD-10 grouping will be done at the Hospital's expense**. HSCRC recommends submitting the test data in both ICD-9 and ICD-10, if available, for comparison purposes. If your hospital is interested in submitting ICD-9 and/or ICD-10 data for grouping, please contact Brian Petr (443-749-5456) or Rich Vincent (443-749-5447) at St. Paul Group for more information.

Please note, that although a hospital is able to successfully submit ICD-10 data for grouping, this does not mean the submitted data will pass the edit checks that are applied by St. Paul on HSCRC-mandated monthly and quarterly submissions. HSCRC staff is working with St. Paul to implement ICD-10 specific edits checks and will notify hospitals once they are ready for testing.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 410- 764-2561 or via email at claudine.williams@maryland.gov.